

**Wagin District High School**

# Newsletter



Issue 20 - 13 December 2017

# Good luck



***WISHING OUR AMAZING GRADUATING CLASS OF 2017  
ALL THE BEST FOR THEIR FUTURE ENDEAVOURS.***

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## **BANK DETAILS TO PAY FEES**

You may prefer to pay school accounts through Direct Debit.  
The school bank account details are as follows:

Account Name: Wagin District High School  
BSB Number: 036 153  
Account Number: 139315  
(Westpac - Katanning)

Please ensure that the student's name is used as  
the reference for all Direct Deposits

# **AWARD WINNERS**

<b>AWARD</b>	<b>WINNER</b>	<b>DONOR</b>
Kindergarten – Ms Bennett - Aim High	<b>Sophie Scanlon</b>	Wagin Gas Electrics
Kindergarten – Ms Bennett - EMUS	<b>Cruze Thompson</b>	Chris & Evelyn Iles Shearing
Kindergarten – Mrs Spooner - Aim High	<b>Olivia Sodsai</b>	EW & RJ Pugh
Kindergarten – Mrs Spooner - EMUS	<b>Ruby Brockway</b>	Brockwell Family
PP/1 – Mrs Gannaway & Mrs Pederick - Aim High	<b>Lara Painter</b>	Dom's Deli
PP/1 – Mrs Gannaway & Mrs Pederick - EMUS	<b>Harry Brockway</b>	FazFab
PP - Miss Child - Aim High	<b>Miranda Kelly</b>	Aussie Stockyards
PP - Miss Child - EMUS	<b>Nate Rowell</b>	Hon. Laurie Graham MLC
Year 1 – Mrs Little - Aim High	<b>Charlotte Rowell</b>	Marley's Diesel & Ag
Year 1 – Mrs Little - EMUS	<b>Mia Forrest</b>	GA & WM Abbott
Year 2 – Mrs Pangler - Aim High	<b>Sara Ward</b>	Mr & Mrs J & N Reed
Year 2 – Mrs Pangler - EMUS	<b>Gigi Francisco</b>	Wagin Plumbing
Year 3 – Mrs Moffatt - Aim High	<b>Halle Painter</b>	Alexander Galt Wagin
Year 3 – Mrs Moffatt - EMUS	<b>Raymond Kapene</b>	Palace Hotel
Year 3/4 – Miss Greaves - Aim High	<b>Natalia Meredith</b>	Wagin Ag Solutions
Year 3/4 – Miss Greaves - EMUS	<b>Desiree Baker</b>	CR & RD Stephens
Year 4/5 – Mr Mullin - Aim High	<b>Callum Roche</b>	Wagin Panel & Paint
Year 4/5 – Mr Mullin - EMUS	<b>Gaige Kapene</b>	Big Bale Company
Year 5 – Ms Roche - Aim High	<b>Rhian Jairah Montablo</b>	Wagin CRC
Year 5 – Ms Roche - EMUS	<b>Bailey Smith</b>	Landmark Dalgety Wool
Year 6 – Mr Gow - Aim High	<b>Edwina Kilpatrick</b>	Wagin Mechanical Repairs
Year 6 – Mr Gow - EMUS	<b>Ruby Thomson</b>	Darren Smith Carpenter
Year 7 Aim High Award	<b>Zaki Jessica Pedis</b>	Simone Jane's Hair Design
Year 7 EMUS Award	<b>Clare Johnson</b>	Afgri Equipment
Year 8 Aim High Award	<b>Ricky Linklater</b>	Great Southern Seed Works
Year 8 EMUS Award	<b>Kezia Pederick</b>	Wagin Masonic Lodge
Year 9/10 Aim High Award	<b>Alanah Boxall</b>	Byfields
Year 9/10 EMUS Award	<b>Tenille Stephens</b>	Terry Brown & Co
Primary Spelling Award	<b>Rhian Jairah Montablo</b>	Peter Rundle MLA
Secondary Spelling Award	<b>Kezia Pederick</b>	Wagin Branch of CWA
Year 7 Scholarship Award	<b>Ethan Johnson</b>	Wagin DHS P&C Association
Year 11 Scholarship Award	<b>Alanah Boxall</b>	Rotary Club of Wagin
Wait-jen Award	<b>Elaine Williams</b>	Shire of Wagin
Wait-jen Award	<b>Mackirra Williams</b>	Wagin Ag Society
Rotary 4 Way Test	<b>Kolbi Edwards</b>	Rotary Club of Wagin
Caltex All-Rounder Award	<b>Emma Gillespie</b>	Caltex
Woodside Science Award	<b>Jason van Schalkwyk</b>	Woodside
Woodside Science Award	<b>Olivia Clifton</b>	Woodside
Primary Talented and Gifted Student Award	<b>Olivia Clifton</b>	Wagin Youth Centre
Primary Sportsmanship Award	<b>Bailey Smith</b>	Mrs Larina Piesse Barrister & Solicitor
Secondary Sportsmanship Award	<b>Taleah Conway</b>	Moran's Wagin Hotel
Primary Visual Arts Award	<b>Oscar Harrington</b>	Wagin Window & Carpet Cleaning
Award for Achievement in Art & Design	<b>Louise Quartermaine</b>	Peter & Vicki Ball
Award for Achievement in Design & Technology	<b>Isabel Garnett</b>	Wagin Earthmoving
Award for Achievement in Home Economics	<b>Sebastiano Mangalavite</b>	Wagin Co-op
Award for Achievement Information Technology	<b>Lilijana Boyd</b>	McGuffie Transport
EMUS Mega Draw - Engaged	<b>Natalia Meredith</b>	Australia Port Wagin
EMUS Mega Draw - Manners	<b>Ebony West</b>	Hon. Darren West MLC
EMUS Mega Draw - Understanding	<b>Tyler Cole</b>	Lions Club
EMUS Mega Draw - Strive	<b>Alexander Cumming</b>	Swingertags

# SOME OF OUR AWARD WINNERS



# From the Principal

## A YEAR AT WAGIN DISTRICT HIGH SCHOOL

We have once again had a busy, productive year. It is evident from the number of award winners at yesterday's Presentation Day Ceremony that our school fulfils our school vision:

**To provide an empowering environment for life-long learning.**

Some of the opportunities our students have had this year include:

- 19 students achieved in the top 20% of Australia in NAPLAN testing.
- Swimming, Athletics, Cross Country & Interschool Carnivals - with champions and runners-up in events along with records being broken.
- Worked collaboratively with the Wagin Early Years Network to improve opportunities for families with 0-8 year olds - including Messy Play, Parent Information Sessions and regular Story Time.
- One student being selected in the top 10 for Vi Barham.
- Country Week - Netball being our first ever team in A Division and Mixed Basketball winning B Division and the Sportsmanship Award.
- APEX Teenage Fashion Awards.
- Breakfast Club, Lunch Club and Mentors.
- Hawaiian Ride for Youth and Youth Focus.
- Our TAGS Program.
- Aboriginal Playgroup.
- Year 6 Camp.
- Year 4/5 and Year 5 Camp.
- Year 10 Careers Camp.
- Using the Nature Play area.
- Senior Citizens Christmas Lunch.

We have many positives to be proud of at Wagin District High School. A firm commitment from the entire community to share those positives and support the teachers and students to ensure we are all aiming high will be of enormous benefit to everyone.

## CLASS SPLITS FOR 2018

You should have received your child's teacher and classroom details in their report earlier in the week. Yesterday, students spent some time with the students, classroom teacher and Education Assistant they will be working with in 2018. This went very well and the students were very excited to have this opportunity. The class splits for 2018 are:

Kindy with Ms Bennett and Mrs Owen

Kindy with Mrs Spooner and Mrs Quinn

Pre-Primary with Ms Child and Mrs Hancock

Pre-Primary/Year 1 with Mrs Gannaway, Mrs Pederick and Mrs Montgomery

Year 1 with Mrs Little and Mrs Diver

Year 2 with Mrs Moffatt and Mrs Owen 2 days per week

Year 3/4 with Mrs Pangler and Mrs Hall

Year 4 with Miss Crisp

Year 5/6 with Ms Roche

Year 5/6 with Mr Mullin

Mrs Johnson will work between the Arts Centre primary classrooms - Year 4 and both Yr 5/6 classes

Mrs Reed will be working across several classrooms

Mrs Eckersley will continue to work with the Year 7-10 students

Year 7 with Ms Bickers being Year Group Co-Ordinator

Year 8 with Mrs King being Year Group Co-Ordinator

Year 9/10 with Ms Bennison being Year Group Co-Ordinator

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# From the Principal cont...

## FAREWELL

To our wonderful Year 10 students, they have been an absolute joy to work with. We wish them the very best for their future.

We also have a few staff members leaving:

Ms Greaves will be busy planning her wedding;

Mr Gow is also leaving us; and

Mrs Willey and Mr Parker have retired. We will hold a formal retirement event for them in the New Year.

## VOLUNTEERS MORNING TEA

Our best laid plans to hold a Garden Soiree on Monday to thank everyone who has volunteered throughout the school over the year were moved to the rather more pleasant air-conditioned library. Throughout the year we had 92 people volunteer across the school

- In classrooms
- In the canteen
- In the uniform shop
- At whole school events
- With fundraising
- In Breakfast club
- To mentor students
- Constructing our Nature playground
- On P&C
- On School Council



We are very lucky and immensely appreciative of everything our community gives to our school. Ultimately it sends a very strong message to students that they are valued and supported. It is another important life-long learning experience you are showing the children and young people of Wagin.

Thank you to everyone for their support and commitment to the children and young people of Wagin. We look forward to working with everyone in the New Year and wish everyone a safe and relaxing Christmas break.

*Cass Harris-Moroney*

Principal

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# Primary News

## PEAC PROGRAM

Over the course of the year, Jack, Edwina and Bryce have been attending PEAC. Last week, I had the privilege of attending their last class of the year to hear them present their final projects. Students had to study a notable person that they admire and present their achievements whilst in character as that person. Jack was Neil Degrasse Tyson, Edwina was Professor Fiona Wood and Bryce; Leonardo Da Vinci. The knowledge they shared and the efforts they clearly put into this unit of work was truly incredible.



## YEAR 6 CELEBRATION

This morning we took the time to celebrate our wonderful Year 6's completing their final year of Primary school education. Family and friends came together to enjoy a morning tea feast and share memories, achievements and photographs throughout the years. I had the pleasure of teaching most of the Year 6's in Kindergarten and again in Year 1 and feel immensely proud of how they have matured into the super stars they are today. A quote from Dr Seuss for them to consider as they embark on their new chapters in High School; "You have brains in your head, you have feet in your shoes, you can steer yourself any direction you choose".



## FAREWELL

As mentioned at Presentation Day, tomorrow sees us farewell Miss Shenae Greaves and Mr Chris Gow from our team. I would like to take the opportunity to thank them both for this year and wish them well on their future endeavours. We welcome Miss Felice Crisp to our team next year as the Year 4 teacher. Miss Crisp has been teaching in Darkan this term and is very much looking forward to joining us.

## FINAL THOUGHTS

Since joining Wagin DHS in Term 3, I have very much enjoyed getting to know you and your children and being part of their learning journeys. 2018 brings new excitement and challenges. I look forward to continuing to work with you to ensure that our students continue to excel and shine. Enjoy the festive season.

Regards,

*Emma Kirk*

Deputy Principal

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# Secondary News

## PRESENTATION DAY

Congratulations to all the award recipients at the 2017 Presentation Day. It was a pleasure to see so many students rewarded for exhibiting their EMUS and aiming high.

## TRANSITION

This week the students have been involved in transition for next year. The year 6's again had the opportunity in high school in readiness for next year. Please contact me if you have questions that may have arisen after the transition days.

## REPORTS

The Semester 2 reports were given out to parents in the library after school on Monday. If you have not collected your child's report you can collect it from the front office. Please read the reports with your child to further support them with their academic achievements. The reports will inform you of your child's progress but also suggest areas for improvement. Interview requests can be arranged through the front office and can be made before the end of the school year or early in the new year once school holidays have finished.

## SENIOR CITIZENS LUNCHEON

The students from the High School have worked conscientiously over the past weeks to prepare a 3-course Christmas luncheon for the senior citizens of Wagin. On Tuesday, December 5 the students served such delights as chicken, mushroom and leek tartlets, a selection of cold meats and summer salads and chocolate Christmas pudding cheesecakes for over 90 guests. The venue this year was the Wagin Recreation Centre, which the Shire of Wagin generously donated access to for the event. Many thanks to Sue Piesse and Paul Powell for the entertainment. The senior citizens thoroughly enjoyed the Christmas luncheon and all commented on how the students interacted maturely with the guests. Our school cannot host this event without the kind and generous support of many of our Wagin community sponsors and donors. A big thank you to Mrs Nicole Kirk for assisting in successfully hosting the annual event. The students did a truly amazing job and can be proud of representing our school so admirably.

## CHRISTMAS CAKE BAKE OFF

The votes are in and the winners are:



As this is the last Newsletter of the year I would like to take the opportunity to wish everyone a safe and merry festive season. Thank you to the staff and parents that support our school in so many ways. A special thought to the year 10 students who will leave us tomorrow. We wish you well in your endeavours beyond Wagin DHS and encourage you to take every opportunity to succeed in your life.

Merry Christmas to all.

*Jolene Abbott*

Deputy Principal

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## **UNIFORM SHOP 2018**

The Uniform Shop will be open before school goes back on  
**Thursday, 25 January and Monday, 29 January**  
**10.00am - 12.00noon**

It will then continue to be open every Friday  
8.30am to 10.30am

Click [here](#) for the Uniform Order form.

Remember, you can also donate your old uniforms to be sold in the second hand section of the Uniform Shop. Your donation can be dropped to the front office anytime.

## **YMCA Narrogin Regional Leisure Centre**

Swim School Term 1-2018 Enrolments Open Monday, 11<sup>th</sup> December 2017

- Infant & Preschool Aquatics
- Squads
- Junior Lifeguard
- Adult Learn to Swim
- Swim & Survive
- Junior Water Polo
- Private Lessons

For more info chat to Sam Kempton via [Nrlc.Swimschool@ymcawa.org.au](mailto:Nrlc.Swimschool@ymcawa.org.au)



**WISHING YOU A  
FANTASTIC SUMMER BREAK.  
SEE YOU IN 2018!**



# School Holiday Program

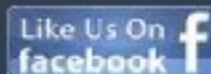
Tuesday, 16<sup>th</sup> January 2018

10:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

Wagin Community Pool\*

All school-aged children are welcome to our free program, which includes a healthy lunch. \*All children under 10 must be accompanied by an adult for safety reasons.

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**Wagin District High School P&C Association Inc.**

Minutes of the Annual General Meeting held on Monday 4th December 2017 at 12pm at the Palace Hotel Wine Bar.

**1. Welcome**

*In attendance*

T Spooner (chairperson), N Ward, A Scott, K Hammersley, M Pascoe, C Tulley, M Harrington, C Harris – Moroney, A Quartermaine, K Thomson, S Nalder, J Mangalavite, A Longmuir, L Finlayson, C Painter, E Holt, L Hutton - Storer

*Apologies*

M English, A Ward, N Kirk, T and C Forrest, A Howell

**2. Confirmation of previous minutes**

**Resolution:** That the minutes of the Annual General Meeting of Wagin District High School P&C Association held on Thursday 17th November 2016 at 7pm be taken as read and confirmed as true and accurate. **Carried**

**3. Business arising from previous minutes:**

3.1 NIL

**4. Treasurers Report (attached)**

**Resolution:** That the treasurers report be adopted. **Carried**

**5. Reports**

6.1 President's Report (attached)

**Resolution:** That the president's report be adopted. **Carried**

**6. Election of Office Bearers and Committee Members (All positions declared vacant)**

President - L Finlayson nominated T Spooner, M Pascoe seconded. T Spooner accepted.

Vice President – T Spooner nominated L Finlayson, K Hammersley seconded. L Finlayson accepted.

Secretary - T Spooner nominated N Ward, C Painter seconded. N Ward accepted.

Treasurer – T Spooner nominated A Scott, J Nalder seconded. A Scott accepted.

Committee – J Clifton, A Longmuir, M Harrington, K Hammersley, M Pascoe, C Tulley, A Quartermaine, J Mango, C Harris - Moroney

Uniform Committee – K Hammersley, M Pascoe, A Quartermaine, K Thomson, A Scott

Canteen Committee – M Harrington, C Lunt, T Spooner, C Harris – Moroney, S Nalder, C Painter

School Council Representative – T Spooner nominated N Ward, L Finlayson seconded. N Ward accepted.

Appointment of Honourary Auditor: C Painter

Meeting closed 12:27pm

**Wagin District High School P&C Association Inc.**  
Minutes of the General Meeting held on Monday 4th December 2017 at 12:27pm at the  
Palace Hotel Wine Bar.

**1. Welcome**

*In attendance*

T Spooner (chairperson), N Ward, A Scott, K Hammersley, M Pascoe, C Tulley, M Harrington, C Harris – Moroney, A Quartermaine, K Thomson, S Nalder, J Mangalavite, A Longmuir, L Finlayson, C Painter, E Holt, L Hutton - Storer

*Apologies*

M English, A Ward, N Kirk, C & T Forrest, A Howell

**2. Confirmation of previous minutes**

**Resolution:** That the minutes of the meeting of Wagin District High School P&C Association held on 16th October 2017 at 12:30pm be taken as read and confirmed as true and accurate. **Carried**

**3. Business arising from previous minutes:**

3.1 Interschool Athletic Carnival - held on Friday 27th October, with P&C running a successful kitchen fundraiser raising \$1157.32. All expenses have been paid and all income received. Executive thanks all who volunteered to help make this event so successful.

3.2 Security deterrents – T Spooner will continue to investigate options.

**4. Correspondence**

4.1 Correspondence In: Bank statements, P&C Voice, Holyoake flyer, ABN paperwork, Year 7 sponsorship letter

**Resolution:** That correspondence be received as per above list. **Carried**

4.2 Correspondence out: NIL

**Resolution:** That correspondence be received as per above list. **Carried**

**5. Treasurers Report (attached)**

**Resolution:** That the Treasurers Report be adopted. **Carried**

**6. Reports**

6.1 President's Report (attached)

**Resolution:** That the President's report be adopted. **Carried**

6.2 Principal's Report – C Harris - Moroney summarised the success of the recent interschool athletics carnival, acknowledged the efforts of the volunteers associated with the nature play project and generally thanked volunteers of our school.

**Resolution:** That the Principal's report be adopted. **Carried**

6.3 School Council Report

N Ward reported that council held their final meeting for the year on 31st October. At this meeting council reviewed and discussed the budget, ratified the

Contributions and Charges for 2018, discussed the introduction of a Facebook page for our school, and provided feedback to admin regarding school issues/concerns from parents. Council have since advertised all vacant council positions and encourage any interested parents or community members to complete the nomination form featured in the recent Newsletter.

**Resolution:** That the School Council report be adopted. **Carried**

## **7. General Business**

7.1 Great Southern Cart Club (GSKC) Fundraiser – T Spooner made contact with the relevant Cart Club representative and we now have our name down for the breakfast on the 23/09/2018 (first weekend of the school holidays). The GSKC will provide the food and P&C will be needed to prepare, cook, serve and clean up after the breakfast.

7.2 Canteen Volunteers – M Harrington has been recruiting new volunteers for 2018. A Longmuir suggested distributing flyers to parents early next term to attract new volunteers. Flyers could possibly be attached to the canteen menu.

**Action by:** A Longmuir to coordinate flyer dispersal. **Carried**

7.3 Wagin DHS P&C Facebook Page – N Ward suggested setting up a Wagin DHS P&C Facebook page to communicate with parents and citizens regarding all things P&C. All posts will require page admin approval, with several members being made administrators of the page.

**Action by:** N Ward **Carried**

7.4 Presentation Day P&C Crèche – L Finlayson suggested P&C consider operating a crèche (as a fundraiser) for young children of people attending our School Presentation Day. L Finlayson presented some ideas, further information to be sought before proceeding with the proposal. L Finlayson to gather further information, specifically paperwork requirements needed for insurance etc.

**Action by:** L Finlayson **Carried**

## **8. Other Business**

8.1 Sportsmanship award – C Harris - Moroney spoke to relevant staff regarding criteria used for this award at countryweek, no specific criteria was available. P&C to devise our own criteria at our next meeting.

8.2 Plants near the tunnel mound will need to be replaced in 2018.

## **9. Date of Next Meeting**

The date of the next general meeting is to be advised.

## **10. Closure**

The meeting closed at 12:55pm.